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This is a request for filing a continuation application under 37 CFR 1.53 (b) as a Continuation-in-Part application of prior application No. 09/371,678, filed on August 10, 1999 .

**Prior application information: Examiner: MAI, ANH D. ; Group Art Unit: 2814**

The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which an oath or declaration is supplied herewith as indicated below, is considered a part of the disclosure of the accompanying continuation application and is hereby incorporated by reference.

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For: FABRICATION METHOD OF SHALLOW TRENCH ISOLATION

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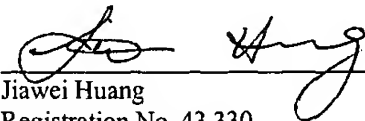
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